Proposals received from various agencies for providing flush facilities in public conveniences

401. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received proposals during the 1993-94, 1994-95, 1995-96 till date from various agencies for providing flush facilities in public conveniences and construction of own CGHS buildings for setting up of composite (Allopathic, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic) dispensaries in Delhi, if so, the location-wise, budget-wise details thereof;

(b) whether Government have received such proposals from different residential welfare associations and Members of Parliament also, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken on them till October, 1996;

(d) whether Government contemplate to give early approval to the proposals received; and

(e) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) to (e) A few proposals have been received from time to time from Members of Parliament, Residents Welfare Associations etc. for opening of composite dispensaries at Sarita Vihar, Ghaziabad etc.

With a view to covering the maximum number of beneficiaries, opening of Allopathic, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic dispensaries have been planned at different locations (depending on the norms/ criteria laid down) so that the beneficiaries get facilities atleast under one of the systems of medicine from their nearest located dispensary. Due to resource and infrastructural constraints it is not possible to have combined dispensaries covering all the three systems of medicine without affecting the interests of beneficiaries who are availing dispensary coverage as per norms.

As regards providing of flush facilities in Delhi, the information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Launch of Agriculture Channel by Doordarshan

402. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to launch a separate channel for agriculture;

(b) if so, the steps taken to launch that agro-channel;

(c) whether the proposed agro-channel is going to be launched both at national network and regional Doordarshan centres; and

(d) if so, steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

RBI guidelines regarding norms of lending

403. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether RBI has issued any guidelines to banks for setting out prudential norms of lending;

(b) whether the banks invariably insist upon personal guarantees and/or charge on personal assets of the Directors, when loans are sanctioned to Corporate Sector;

(c) whether banks have been advised by RBI or Government to obtain without exception, primary and collateral security sufficient to cover the liabilities of borrowers, who are outside the purview of the priority sector; and

(d) if so, whether RBI has a system to monitor compliance with the guidelines